

REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement, Applicants hereby elect the species of Figure 1. Claims 1-3, 5-7, 9-21, and 23-25 are readable on the elected species.

Claims 4 and 8 are withdrawn from consideration as being drawn to a non-elected species. Claims 4 and 8, however, should be allowed should the independent claims upon which they depend be allowed.

When Applicants filed the above continuation application, Applicants' attorney indicated to Examiner Gartenberg that he believed that all of the claims were readable on Figure 1. Upon closer review, however, claims 4 and 8 have been withdrawn.

The Examiner's attention is also directed to the amendments made to various claims. The amendments have been made in order to correct formalities and to provide the proper antecedent basis.

Finally, the Examiner's attention is directed to claims 6 and 21. The subject matter of claims 6 and 21 is not particularly shown in Figure 1. However, on pages 14 and 15 of the present application when describing the various elements of Figure 1, the specification states that any excess steam produced by HRSG #2 (character numeral 58) may be sent to the gas turbine combustor for injection into the gas turbine to boost power output. Applicants submit that since all of the claims are process claims, not every element must be shown in a drawing as is stated in the Manual of Patent Examining Procedure. If the Examiner wishes for Figure 1 to be amended to include the above optional process step, Applicants will amend Figure 1 as requested in order to expedite prosecution.

In summary, Applicants submit that the present application is in complete condition for allowance and patentably defines over all of the prior art of record.

Please charge any additional fees required by this Amendment to Deposit Account No. 04-1403.

Respectfully submitted,

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